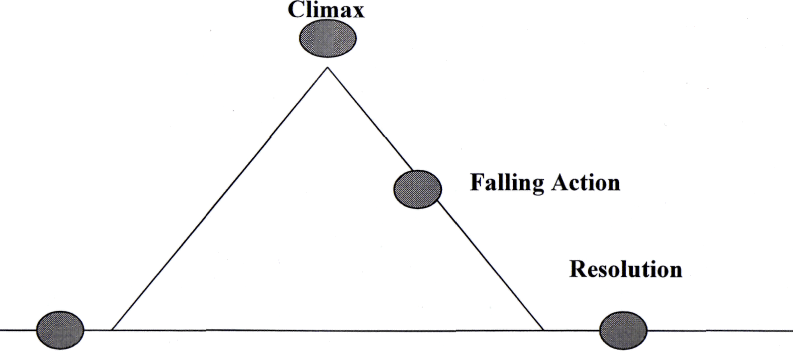
Plot Line

Eventually the plot reaches a turning point. The outcome of the conflict is decided. A character may make a discovery or take an important action. Often a change results.



The climax is often followed by a falling action or resolution, in which loose ends are tied up before the story ends.

**Rising Action**

**Exposition**  **Initial Conflict**

**Main Character** – action of the story is centered on this character

**Minor Character** – characters that interact with the main character and each other

**Character Traits** - physical appearance, speech, thoughts, feelings, actions, qualities

**Protagonist –** the most important character in a novel, play, story, or other literary work

**Antagonist –** somebody or something opposing or in conflict with another, usually in conflict with the protagonist

Questions are answered; arguments, conflicts, or mysteries are solved

Main character reaches some sort of resolution or closure

As conflict grows, excitement and energy build.

The problem or struggle that drives the story, it might be a life or death battle or a simple disagreement.

This is where the stage is set and background of the action is described. Then the conflict begins.